



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 5371**

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**AN ACT CONCERNING IN-STATE TUITION AND THE "A BETTER CHANCE" PROGRAM AND THE INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 10a-29 of the general statutes is amended by  
2 adding subdivision (7) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

3 (NEW) (7) A student that is from another state, territory or  
4 possession of the United States, the District of Columbia or the  
5 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or a resident alien thereof shall be  
6 classified as an in-state student, if such student (A) graduated from a  
7 public high school in this state, and (B) was sponsored and supported  
8 during attendance at such school by a program established by a  
9 nonprofit organization that raises charitable funds on the local level for  
10 the purpose of giving students who are minority students, from single  
11 parent homes or live in poverty, an opportunity to attend school in a  
12 different environment. For purposes of this subdivision, "minority  
13 student" means a student whose racial ancestry is defined as other  
14 than white by the Bureau of Census of the United States Department of  
15 Commerce.

16 Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 10-27 of the general statutes is  
17 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
18 *passage*):

19 (b) The Commissioner of Education, with advice from the  
20 Commissioner of Higher Education, shall establish an international  
21 education advisory committee to explore international opportunities  
22 for learning, exchange programs and the availability of curriculum  
23 materials for students, teachers, administrators and educational policy  
24 makers. The advisory committee shall:

25 (1) Investigate and compile information concerning international  
26 education programs and opportunities. The committee shall make  
27 recommendations to the [commissioner] Commissioners of Education  
28 and Higher Education on the expansion of international education  
29 programs and opportunities and shall consider ways to encourage  
30 participation in such programs. The committee shall advise the  
31 [Department] Departments of Education and Higher Education, and  
32 the joint standing [committee] committees of the General Assembly  
33 having cognizance of matters relating to education and higher  
34 education and employment advancement on international program  
35 opportunities and the availability of federal or nonprofit agency  
36 funding for such programs. The [department] departments shall  
37 provide information on international education opportunities to local  
38 and regional boards of education and public institutions of higher  
39 education;

40 (2) Develop guidelines and standards to aid local and regional  
41 boards of education and public institutions of higher education in the  
42 establishment of programs of international studies. Such guidelines  
43 and standards shall describe the essential components of a quality  
44 educational program incorporating international education concepts.  
45 The committee shall submit such guidelines and standards to the State  
46 Board of Education and the Department of Higher Education for  
47 review and approval;

48 (3) Develop criteria for what constitutes a sister school partnership  
49 program between a public school or institution of higher education of  
50 this state and a foreign school or institution of higher education. Such  
51 criteria shall provide a process for recognition of such partnership. The

52 committee shall submit such criteria to the State Board of Education  
53 and the Department of Higher Education for review and approval; and

54 (4) Advise the State Board of Education and the Department of  
55 Higher Education on possible incentives to encourage the formation of  
56 partnerships that meet criteria established in accordance with the  
57 provisions of subdivision (3) of this subsection. Such incentives may  
58 include, but need not be limited to, cooperation between sister  
59 partnership schools in teacher certification, student assessment  
60 programs and recognition of student course credit, participation in  
61 summer programs and in other areas where the state could recognize  
62 the value of the sister school partnership relationships with minimal  
63 cost.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10a-29
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	10-27(b)

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